



CITY OF BOSTON

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Dear Camp Joy Parents/Guardians:

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) is committed to providing high-quality programming for residents of all ages and abilities in Boston. Since 1946 the Camp Joy program has provided thousands of Boston's youth with special needs an enriching summer camp experience.

The *BCYF Camp Joy Summer Program* focuses on the principles of inclusion, learning and fun. Trained, highly-skilled staff work to create a safe and nurturing environment for all participants. The *BCYF Camp Joy Summer program* is for Boston residents' ages 3-22 with disabilities and their siblings, 3-7 years old. The 4-week summer program provides structured, daily opportunities for participants engage in enrichment activities designed to promote peer-to-peer socialization, foster relationship building and support individual growth. Activities range from group games and swimming to gym time and arts and crafts. In addition, the program fosters connections between participants and their community by engaging community partners in program activities and connecting families to the resources and services they provide.

For 2013, *The BCYF Camp Joy Summer Program* will be in session Monday-Friday from July 14<sup>th</sup>—August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 between 8am-2pm. Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis based on a completed application. **The parent fee for the first child is \$220.00 and \$55.00 for each sibling or Agency fee of \$250.00 per child. Money orders only. Please include Camper Photo along with Camp Joy Application.**

**Program Requirements:**

- Be between the ages of 3--22 for youth with disabilities;
- Be able to interact in a 3:1 participant to staff ratio;
- Be a Boston resident (proof of residency required ;)
- Complete application.

For more information about the BCYF Camp Joy Summer Program or to request an application please contact me at [Roberta.smalls@boston.gov](mailto:Roberta.smalls@boston.gov) or (617) 635-4920 ext. 2402.

Sincerely,

Roberta Smalls  
BCYF Camp Joy Program Manager

*BCYF does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, ability, sex, secular preference, sexual orientation, martial status, age, political affiliation or religion, in accordance with the non-discrimination requirements of applicable statutes.*

*"This camp complies with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and is licensed by the local board of health."*

BCYF Blackstone  
BCYF Charlestown  
BCYF Cleveland  
BCYF Clougherty Pool  
BCYF Condon  
BCYF Curley  
BCYF Curtis Hall  
BCYF Draper Pool  
BCYF Flaherty Pool  
BCYF Gallivan  
BCYF Golden Age  
BCYF Grove Hall  
BCYF Hennigan  
BCYF Holland  
BCYF Hyde Park  
BCYF Jackson/Mann  
BCYF Leahy-Holloran  
BCYF Mason Pool  
BCYF Menino  
BCYF Mildred Avenue  
BCYF Mirabella Pool  
BCYF Nazzaro  
BCYF Ohrenberger  
BCYF Paris Street  
BCYF Paris Street Pool  
BCYF Perkins  
BCYF Pino  
BCYF Quincy  
BCYF Recreation Center  
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